## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant:

Haruhiko KINOSHITA

Title:

MERGER AND

ACQUISITION PROPOSAL GENERATION SYSTEM AND MERGER AND ACQUISITION PROPOSAL GENERATION METHOD

Appl. No.:

09/842,655

Appl. Filing Date:

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Examiner:

Ouellette, Jonathan P.

Art Unit:

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## REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. This RCE and the enclosed items listed below are being filed prior to the earliest of: (1) payment of the issue fee (unless a petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.313 is granted); (2) abandonment of the application; or (3) the filing of a notice of appeal to the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Federal Circuit under 35 U.S.C. §141, or the commencement of a civil action under 35 U.S.C. §145 or §146 (unless the appeal or civil action is terminated).

- 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. §1.114: (check items that apply)
  - a. Previously submitted:

	[]	Please enter and consider the amendment and/or reply previously filed on
	[]	Please consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply previously filed on
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	[]	Other
	b. Enc	losed are:
	[ <b>X</b> ]	Amendment/Reply.
	[]	Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s).
	[]	Information Disclosure Statement.
	[]	Form PTO/SB/08 with copies of listed reference(s).
	[ <b>X</b> ]	Other Copy of the In re Mulder decision is attached as Appendix I.
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	[]	Suspension of action of the above-identified application is requested under 37
		C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of months.

The filing fee is calculated below:

	Claims as Amended		Previously Paid For	Extr Pres	a Claims ent		Rate		Fee Totals
RCE Fee 1.17(e):							\$790.00	=	\$790.00
Total Claims:	17		20	= 0		x	\$50.00	==	\$0.00
Independents	3	-	3	= 0		x	\$200.00	=	\$0.00
First pr	resentation o	f any	/ Multiple D	ependen	t Claims:	+	\$360.00	=	\$0.00
					CLAIMS	FEE	TOTAL:	=	\$790.00

[]	Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) for the
	total number of months checked below:

\$0.00	0.00	Extension for response filed within the first month: \$120.00	[ ]
\$0.00	.00	Extension for response filed within the second month: \$450.00	[ ]
\$0.00	.00	Extension for response filed within the third month: \$1,020.00	[ ]
\$0.00	.00	Extension for response filed within the fourth month: \$1,590.00	[ ]
\$0.00	.00	Extension for response filed within the fifth month: \$2,160.00	[]
\$0.00	AL:	EXTENSION FEE SUBTOTAL:	
\$0.00	ID: -	EXTENSION FEE ALREADY PAID:	
\$0.00	AL	EXTENSION FEE TOTAL	
\$790.00	AL:	CLAIMS AND EXTENSION FEE TOTAL:	
\$0.00	/e):	Small Entity Fees Apply (subtract ½ of above):	[ ]
\$0.00	3(c)	Suspension of action requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c)	[]
\$790.00	EE:	TOTAL FEE:	

The above-identified fees of \$790.00 are being paid by credit card via EFS-Web.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required regarding this application under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16-1.17, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0872. Should no proper payment be enclosed herewith, as by the credit card payment instructions in EFS-Web being incorrect or absent, resulting in a rejected or incorrect credit card transaction, the Commissioner is authorized to charge the unpaid amount to Deposit Account No. 50-0872.

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Please direct all correspondence to the undersigned attorney or agent at the address indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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